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SUBJECT: CABINET COMMUNIQUE ON WEST BANK ELECTIONS

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PORTION OF JANUARY 4 CABINET COMMUNIQUE
DEALING WITH UPCOMING WEST BANK MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE INFORMED THE
CABINET AS FOLLOWS: "IN MARCH 1972, MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
WEREHELD IN SAMARIA, AND IN MAY 1972 THE ELECTIONS WERE
HELD IN JUDEA. THE SPLIT IN THE DATES WAS MADE IN ORDER
TO PERMIT THE DRAWING OF LESSONS FROM ONE REGION AS WITH
REFERENCE TO THE OTHER. ACCORDING TO THE LAW, THE ADMINIS-
TRATION IS CHARGED WITH HOLDING ELECTIONS AT THE END OF
FOUR YEARS IN OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPALITIES. IT HAS BEEN
DECIDED TO HOLD THE ELECTIONS IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA ON ONE
DATE, WHICH COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW, AND
12 APRIL 1976 HAS THEREFORE BEEN DETERMINED AS ELECTION DAY.

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3. "IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW, THE FRANCHISE IS GIVEN

TO EVERY MALE TOWN RESIDENT AGED 21 AND OVER, WHO HAS PAID MUNICIPAL TAX OF AT LEAST ONE DINAR. THIS RESTRICTION LIMITED THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS IN COMPARISON WITH THE NUMBER OF ADULT RESIDENTS IN THE TOWN.

4. "WE CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING THE GRANTING OF THE FRANCHISE TO WOMEN AND TO YOUNGER PERSONS AS WELL. I CONSULTED ON THIS SUBJECT WITH SEVERAL OF THE MAYORS IN JUDEA AND SAMARAIA. AFTER I HAD HEARD THEIR RESERVATIONS AND THEIR VIEWS, AND TAKING THEM INTO CONSIDERATION, I REACHED THE CONCLUSION THAT THE TIME HAD COME TO GRANT THE FRANCHISE TO WOMEN AS WELL. ACCORDINGLY, AN ORDER WAS SIGNED BY THE COMMANDER OF THE AREA ON 28 DECEMBER 1975.

5. "THIS IS A SECOND ROUND OF ELECTIONS IN THE AREA, THE ELECTIONS TO THE VILLAGE COUNCILS HAVING PASSED WITH EXEMPLARY ORDER AND WITH LARGE AND IMPRESSIVE PARTICIPATION BY THE RESIDENTS. I AM CONVINCED THAT THESE ELECTIONS, TOO, WILL BE CONDUCTED IN FULL DEMOCRATIC ORDER AND FREEDOM, TO THE BENEFIT AND ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF THE RESIDENTS." END TEXT.
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